

Advanced notice

Early closure on
Wednesday 21st
Feb for Careers
Event Yr 7 - 10
leave at 12:40pm
Yr 11/Sixth (3:10pm)

Dear Parents, Guardians, Carers, Staff & Governors

It is the last week before February half term and we are halfway through this academic year. Our Year 11s are currently undertaking week one of their second mocks - giving their best efforts to their exams.

We have also plenty of enrichment opportunities this week from sporting success, Debate Mate trips, Shakespeare in the garden and numerous students undertaking the UK Maths Challenge - we await the results!

In more good news we heard Toheeb Jimoh was playing Hal opposite Sir Ian McKellen's Falstaff in Henry IV. What an amazing opportunity! Do remember that after half term we have the annual Careers Fair taking place. All Year groups will experience the fair and it will involve an early closure for Years 7-10 to allow our Year 11, 12 and 13 students additional advice from staff as they consider their next steps in their learning and careers. We thank you for your support in advance. Lastly, do have a safe and restful half term. Whatever you and your family end up doing, enjoy it!

Best wishes

Niki Clemenger & Richard Cole

Co-Headteachers

Safer
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Day 2023 | Tuesday
7 February

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Alumni Toheeb's career going from strength to strength



Above - Lots of year 9, 10 and 11 took part in the national UKMT Intermediate Maths Challenge. They really stepped up to the floor with some excellent problem solving skills, and left, Debate Mate students really pushed themselves and found last week's trip a very rewarding experience.

Highlights of the Week

We are delighted that this week we have been marking LGBT+ History Month, the theme this year is: Medicine – #UnderTheScope and celebrates LGBT+ peoples' contribution to the field of Medicine and Healthcare both historically and today. We had a great assembly from Ms Lestrade Thomas - one of our Diversity Leads.

We have also been talking about how to keep safe online - [find out more about how you can make space for conversations about life online with these helpful parent resources.](#)

Year 13 Historians went to Hampton Court last week with Mr Cox and found out about the mid Tudor crisis and realised life back then was pretty much similar to life now in many ways...but harsher!

We had two outdoor performances of A Midsummer Night's Dream last week. It was good to see the cast embracing the comedy of the play with moustaches, a muscle suit and excellent performances of love sickness!

Amber and Ella, both competed in the Trampoline London Youth Games. Ella competed in the Novice category and Amber moved into the intermediate category following her success last year. They have done an amazing job representing the school and the borough.

Our Afghan cricketers plus Otto Balaam have been selected by the Cricket MCC Hub for their outreach programme. The MCC is one the most prestigious cricket clubs in the country so well done to Abdul and Mustafa, Abas and Adnass, Maseebullah and Otto. Fantastic news chaps!

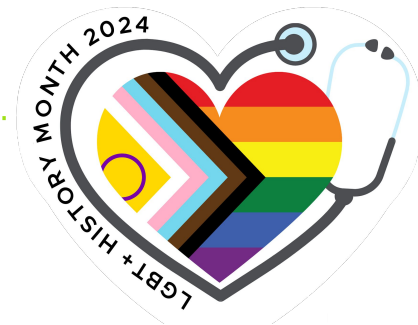
Important Dates

- Yr 10 Parents Eve Thursday 8th February 4:30 - 7pm
- Half Term 12th - 16th Feb
- Yr 11 Mock week 2 WB 19th Feb
- Whole School Careers Event All Day Wed 21st Feb (12:40pm closure for Yr 7 - 10)
- Yr 9 Pathways/Parents Evening Thursday 22nd Feb
- Year 11 Info Evening Thursday 14th March

Hot Chocolate with the Heads this week

Congratulations to:

- Alvalena Yates 7IKA
- Romaan Sajed 8JCU
- Louis Greswell 9WMA
- George Hardy 10HRO
- Hamilton Sakwe 11OSW
- Erik Portica 12LKE
- Emmi Leppanen 13LKE



Beautiful day at Hampton Court



Sixth Form Shakespeare in the 'garden'



Amber and Ella



7LGo out at Crown Point on geography fieldwork.

